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2 : the act of championing : ADVOCACY, DEFENSE
SUPPORT (his ~ of the new theory) { ~ of the small nations
most of the Big Four—Vera M. Dean } 3 : a contest held to
determine a champion (colleges represented in the NCAA ~s)



cylinder *n* : a cylindrical body; as a (1); the turning chambered breech of a revolver (2); one type of choke boring — see **CHOKE 3 b** (1); a cylindrical chamber in an engine in which a piston is impelled by the pressure or expansive force of the working fluid (2); the analogous though not cylindrical part in certain abnormal types of engines; c: a chamber in a pump from which the piston expels the fluid; d: the rapidly rotating tapered drum of a steam engine machine; e (1): PLATE CYLINDER (2): IMPRESSION CYLINDER (3): BLANKET CYLINDER; f: CYLINDER SEAL; g: a cylindrical clay object inscribed with cuneiform inscriptions; h: a typewriter platen; i: a cylindrical record of a phonograph or dictating machine; j: the portion of a cylinder lock that contains the tumblers and keyhole; k: a pivoted hollow steel shell upon which the balance of a watch is mounted and which is cut away to permit the passage of the rim of the escape wheel; l: the square prism carrying the cards to the needles in a Jacquard loom
 cylinder block *n* : BLOCK 1
 cylinder-dered *adj* (sɪlɪndrəd) *adj* : having a cylinder or cylinders (a 6-cylindered engine)
 cylinder front *n* : a desk front having a one-piece lid or cover resembling a longitudinal section of a cylinder
 cylinder glass *n* : glass blown in the shape of a cylinder then split and flattened into a sheet
 cylinder head *n* : the closed end of an engine or pump cylinder
 cylinder lock *n* : a lock with both keyhole and tumbler mechanism in a cylinder separate from the case
 cylinder machine *n* : a paper machine in which the sheet is formed on a wire-covered cylinder revolving in a vat of the stock; esp: such a machine having several vats and used for making paper which is built up by combining as many layers as there are vats
 cylinder man *n* 1: a worker who cures bricks and cinder blocks in steam pressure cylinders to hasten hardening; 2: an optical glass worker who grinds cylinder-shaped lens blanks
 cylinder number *n* : the serial number of the cylindrical printing plate on a sheet of rotary-printed British stamps
 cylinder oil *n* : a heavy grade of mineral lubricating oil; esp: such an oil used for steam-engine cylinders and valves
 cylinder planer *n* : a wood surface having 1 or 2 rotating cutter cylinders and usu. from 2 to 8 feed rolls for guiding the work
 cylinder press *n* : a printing press in which a rotating cylinder rolls the paper against a printing surface lying on flat usu. horizontal reciprocating bed — compare **ROTARY PRESS**
 cylinder saw *n* : CROWN SAW
 cylinder scale *n* : an automatic indicating scale in which the graduations are on a rotatable cylindrical chart — called also **barrel scale**, **drum scale**
 cylinder seal *n* : a cylinder of stone or other hard material engraved in intaglio upon the curved surface and used esp. in ancient Mesopotamia to roll an identifying impression on wet clay in getting a jar or writing tablet
 cylinder snake *n* : any of several aquatic burrowing snakes constituting a genus (*Cylindrophis*) of the family Aniliidae
 cylindro- or cylindro- comb form [NL, fr. Gk *kylindros*, *kylindros*, fr. *kylindros* — more at **CYLINDER**]; cylindrical: *cylindrical*; and (*cylindrarthritis*) (*cylindrocerephalic*)
 cyl-in-dra-ceous \sɪlɪndrəˈsiʃəs/ *adj* [*cylindr-* + *-aceous*]; somewhat like a cylinder
 cyl-in-drar-thro-sis \sɪlɪndrəˈθrɒsɪs, sɪlɪˈn- \ *n*, pl *cylindrarthro-ses* \-sɪz/ [NL, fr. *cylindr-* + *arthrosis*]; a joint in which the articular surfaces are approximately rounded
 cyl-in-dri-cal \sɪlɪndrɪˈkəl, -rɛk-/ or *cyl-in-dric* \-driːk, -rɛk/ *adj* [*cylindr-* fr. F or Gk; F *cylindrique* (fr. Gk *kylindros*, fr. *kylindros* cylinder + *-ikos*-ic) + E *-al*; *cylindric* fr. F *cylindrique* or Gk *kylindros* — more at **CYLINDER**]; relating to or having the form or properties of a cylinder — *cyl-in-dri-cal*-ly \sɪlɪndrəˈkəlɪ- \ *adv* — *cyl-in-dri-cal*-ness \-kəl-nəs/ *n* -ES
 cylindrical coordinate *n*, *math* : any of the coordinates in space obtained by constructing in a plane a polar coordinate system and on a line perpendicular to the plane at the pole a line perpendicular to the system
 cylindrical epithelium *n* : COLUMNAR EPITHELIUM
 cylindrical harmonic *n* : BESSEL FUNCTION
 cylindrical projection *n* : a projection (as of a sphere or a spheroid) on the surface of a cylinder; *specif* : any of numerous map projections of the terrestrial sphere on the surface of a cylinder that is then unrolled as a plane, the parallels and meridians appearing as straight lines perpendicular to each other if the cylinder is tangent over the sphere at the equator and all parallels as well as the points of the poles if shown appearing as the same length as the equator
 cylindrical vault *n* : BARREL VAULT
 cyl-in-dri-cy \sɪlɪndrɪˈsi/ *n* -ES [prob. fr. F *cylindricité*, fr. *cylindrique* + *-ité* -ity] : the quality or state of being cylindrical
 cyl-in-drite \sɪlɪndrɪˈtɪ/ *n* -ES [ISV *cylindrite* + *-ite*; orig. formed as Gk *dylindrit*] : a mineral $\text{Pb}_3\text{Sn}_2\text{Sb}_2\text{S}_4$ consisting of sulfur, lead, antimony, and tin and being dark gray with metallic luster
 cyl-in-dro-cap-sa \sɪlɪndrəˈkapsə/ *n*, cap [NL, fr. *cylindr-* + *L capsa* box — more at **CASE**]; a genus (the type of the family *Cylindrocapsaceae*) of freshwater green algae with filaments in which the cells have stratified walls
 cyl-in-dro-cap-sa-ce-ae \sɪlɪndrəˈkapsəˈsi/ *n* pl, cap [NL, fr. *Cylindrocapsa* + *-ae*]; a family of algae (order *Ulotrichales*) having unbranched filaments and oogamous sexual reproduction
 cyl-in-dro-cellular \sɪlɪndrəˈsɛl- \ *adj* [*cylindr-* + *cellular*]; made up of cylindrical cells
 cyl-in-dro-conical \sɪlɪndrəˈkɒnɪkəl/ *adj* [*cylindr-* + *conical*]; cylindrical with one end tapering to a point
 cyl-in-droid \sɪlɪndrɔɪd, sɪlɪˈn- \ *n* -s [*cylindr-* + *-oid*]; a cylinder with elliptic right sections
 cylindroid \sɪlɪndrɔɪd/ *adj* [*cylindr-* + *-oid*]; resembling a cylinder
 cyl-in-dro-lu-sis \sɪlɪndrəˈlʊsɪs/ *n*, cap [NL, fr. *cylindrus* + *lulus* catkin, fr. Gk *oulos* cat downy hair, sheaf of grain]; akin to Gk *oulos* curly; *elytus* to entrap, enfold — more at **VOLUME**]; a genus of millipedes of the family Julidae including a species (*C. lindneri*) sometimes reported to damage potato roots in Europe
 cyl-in-dro-spo-ri-um \sɪlɪndrəˈspɔriəm/ *n*, cap [NL, fr. *cylindr-* + *-sporium*]; a genus of imperfect fungi (family *Melanconiaceae*) producing hyaline filiform conidia in acervoli and including many forms that cause leaf and fruit spot diseases and some that are now known to be stages in the life cycles of other fungi — compare **COCOCOMYCES**
 cyl-in-dro-sys-tol \sɪlɪndrəˈsɪstəl/ *n*, cap [NL, fr. *cylindrus* + *sys-tol* contraction, fr. Gk *sys-tolē* contraction, fr. *syn-* + *stollō* to contract, to shrink]; a genus of millipedes of the family Julidae including a species (*C. lindneri*) sometimes reported to damage potato roots in Europe
 cyl-in-dro-tro-cho \sɪlɪndrəˈtroʊkə/ *n*, cap [NL, fr. *cylindrus* + *troch* wheel, fr. Gk *trochos* wheel, fr. *trochos* to turn, to revolve]; a genus of millipedes of the family Julidae including a species (*C. lindneri*) sometimes reported to damage potato roots in Europe
 cyl-in-dro-ty-lus \sɪlɪndrəˈtɪləs/ *n*, cap [NL, fr. *cylindrus* + *tylus* catkin, fr. Gk *tylos* cat downy hair, sheaf of grain]; akin to Gk *tylos* curly; *elytus* to entrap, enfold — more at **VOLUME**]; a genus of millipedes of the family Julidae including a species (*C. lindneri*) sometimes reported to damage potato roots in Europe
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